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Acting Director
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Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Sir/Madam:

I recently received a letter from some of my constituents expressing concern about PR Docket 92-235. I respectfully request that this letter be given full consideration; however, no response to my office is necessary. I am enclosing a copy for the record.

Sincerely,



David L. Boren
United States Senator

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THE HONORABLE DAVID BOREN
U S SENATOR
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WASHINGTON DC 20510

Dear Mr. Boren:

Aviation has always been an interest of mine, and I am actively involved in the construction and flying of radio controlled model airplanes, as well as small aircraft. I have pursued this hobby for the past 10 years. Therefore, I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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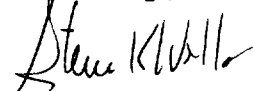
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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 Mhz band.

Sincerely,



Steven K. Wells

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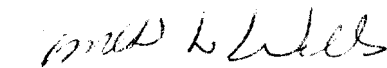
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Sincerely,

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Dear Sirs:

Recently I have been notified the FCC is considering an action that will serverly endanger a hobby that is very important to me and the members of the radio flying club I belong to called SKYBLAZERS. Recently you made notice of a rule change that will have a dramatic impact on our hobby if enacted. That notice being issued proposed rule making (NPRM) in PR Docket 92 235 replaces Part 90 of your rules with a new part 88. Part 90 allows for usage operation of aircraft and surfaces models by keeping 10khz spacing between fixed commercial user and frequencies used by all citizens that enjoy the various radio controlled hobbies. The new part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 khz of all frequencies available to us, elimanating the safe use of at least 31 of the 50 channels on the 72mhz band and 10 of the 30 frequencies on the 75mhz band, now virtually all channels can be affected.

Please note both the AMA (Academy of Aeronautics) and the SFA (Sport Flyers Association) have gone to great lenthns to maintain one of the best safety records of any sport or hobby. The use of interference free frequencies ensures this safety. Many of our models interference could cause an uncontrolled projectile capable of causing property damage and personal injury and possible death. Many of our models fly in excess of 80 MPH and can weigh up to 55 pounds with wing spans up to 13 feet.

A response from you or your office as to how you voted on this proposal is requested.

Thank you for your consideration:



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14504 E. 74TH ST, N.
OWASSO, O.K. 74055

February 12, 1993

The Honorable David Boren
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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Dear Senator Boren:

This letter is to express my concern in regard to proposed regulation changes from the Federal Communications Commission (PR Docket 93-235).

As a professional in health care, parent, coach and cub scout den leader my roll in the community and as a parent includes recreational radio control modeling. My family and I derive many hours of enjoyment from building and flying radio control airplanes. My financial investment in radio control modeling is significant. The models that I build weigh as much as twenty pounds and fly at speeds over 100 mph.

The proposal rule (NPRM-PR Docket 92-235 which if implemented will have a profound effect on model industry frequency use if adopted. These new frequencies are "very close" to those designated as radio control. Radio interference is sure to be a problem.

The safety and liability aspect created by the proposal is a nightmare. As RC modelers all over the country operate in populated areas and at populated events interference from phone signals would prove to be a health hazard as well as a safety hazard.

The FCC wants to create more land and mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearrange the band plan. As a result this would cause radio interference with radio control operations. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

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Please help me and thousands of other RC modelers continue the safe enjoyment of recreational time by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal for the 72-76 MHZ band.

Sincerely,
Mike Dawes
Route 3, Box 2390
Cushing, Okla.



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Feb. 15, 1993

The Honorable David L. Boren
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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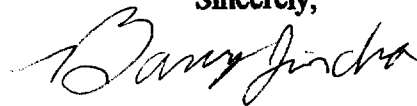
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Sincerely,



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Barry Jindra
104 S. 9th St.
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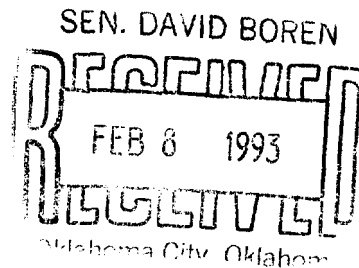
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Sincerely,

Harold Newton
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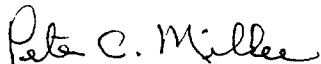
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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pete C. Miller".

Pete C. Miller

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